

2020 VISION

Consider it a great joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you experience various trials... James 1:2

...To the twelve tribes dispersed abroad. James 1:1

Reality 1: God is working out spiritual transformation through the trials.

...because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing. James 1:3-4

Reality 2: God is willing to give divine wisdom in our trials.

Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God—who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly—and it will be given to him. James 1:5

For the joy that lay before him, he endured the cross, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:2

“God is good, even when it’s bad.”

Reflection Question:

Where have you experienced the “God who does all good, even in the bad,” in this last year?

Scripture from the CSB unless noted.



Digital Companion Kit Dec 26 & 27

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Take a God-Sized View of 2020

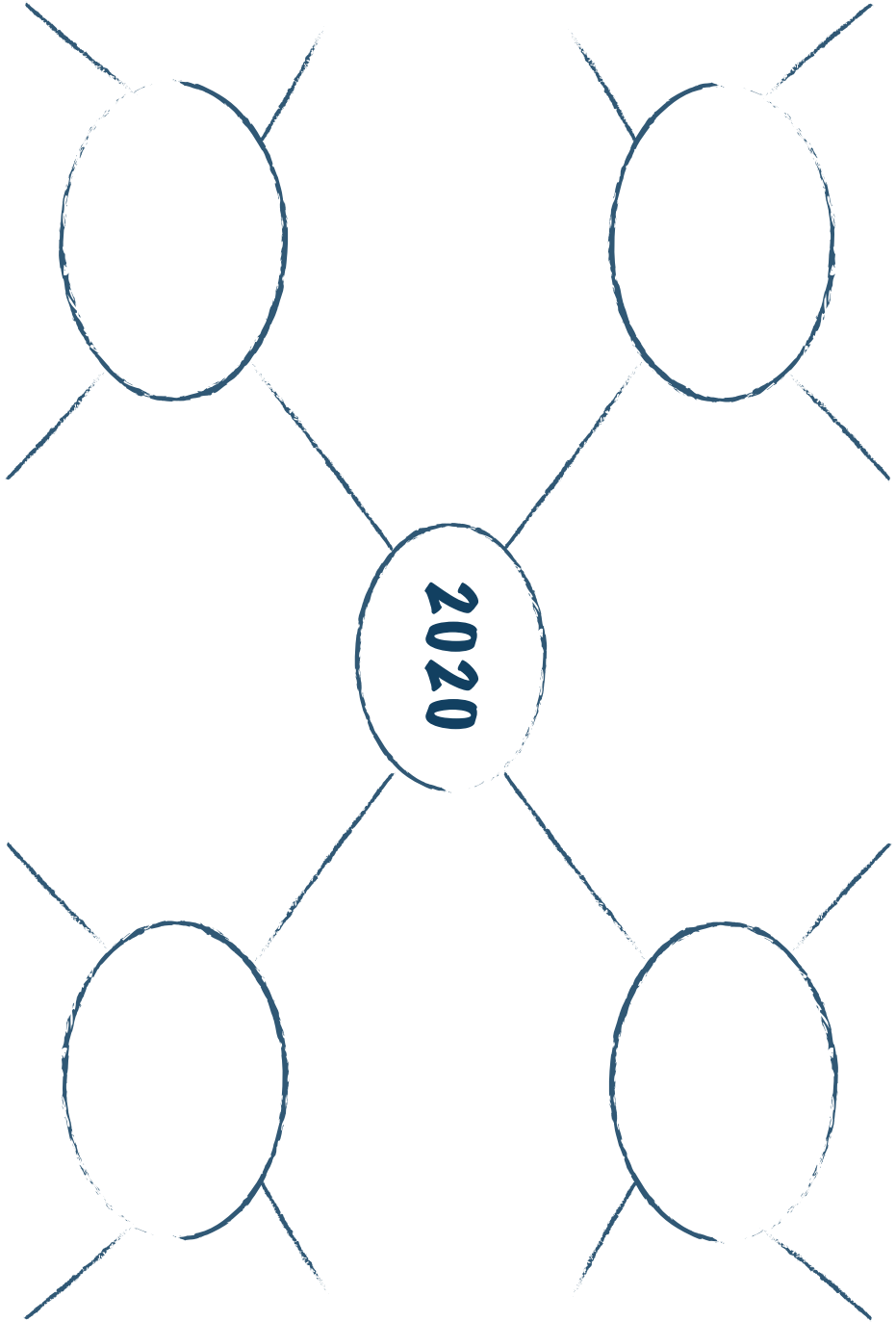
Mapping the ups and downs of 2020

In Steve's message this weekend, we explored the three different perspectives we can have when unexpected things come our way. We can have rose-colored glasses and choose to only look at the positive, living in denial of the harsh realities of life. We can have safety goggles seeing only our problems and looking for what could go wrong. The better path is the third lens, the God view, where we can acknowledge our struggles and difficulties while trusting God to take care of us.

In this exercise, you have the opportunity to take a God-sized view of 2020. When we're in the midst of life, it's hard to see the bigger picture. When we take a step back and reflect, we begin to see God's hand at work in our lives and how He uses the highs and lows of our life for our good.

Take a look at the sample below and then on the next page, create a God-Sized View of 2020 of your own. Put the positive and negative experiences you had in the bubbles and write what God taught you through it. As you go, draw lines to make connections. Add more bubbles as needed. Chances are you'll begin to see patterns and recurring themes from the year, and even see how God used these events for your good.





Spotify Playlists

Worship for the New Year

Begin 2021 with worship and celebration of the new life we have in Jesus. His mercies are new every morning!



Kids Worship

Sing, dance, and praise with these energetic worship songs for the whole family!



Family Bucket List

A brand new year is about to begin! It's a time for us to dream big and think about all the things we want to do and learn in 2021. Work with your family to create a family bucket list of all the ways you're hoping to grow together in 2021!

Examples:

- Help my brother learn to ride a bike
- Go on a big family adventure to another place
- Plan a big surprise for our grandparents' birthdays
- Take family walks together every weekend
- Cook a fancy meal for mom and dad
- Serve in a new place at church
- Read the Bible together at night

Family Bucket List

Mariners Hosted Here

Mariners Hosted Here is an important part of our church. Whether meeting in homes with friends and family, assisted care facilities, or anywhere in between, we want to equip you to host our online service, and be the church wherever you are.

As you gather in community to worship and study God's Word, our team will come alongside you to help ensure you have everything you need to host well. From kids resources, weekly service notes, and more, we're excited to partner with you.

I'm already meeting with friends and family in my circle. What happens if I sign up?

Great question! Once you sign up you get access to weekly service notes, an awesome host kit, and ongoing support from our team.

Will you send people to my Mariners Hosted Here?

Nope. To ensure best health and safety practices others will join your Mariners Hosted Here community by your personal invite only.

How long should I commit for?

That's really up to you, but we think running through our new weekend message series, *Word to The Wise* is a great place to start.

I still have questions. What should I do next?

No problem. You can either email the team at hostedhere@marinerschurch.org or text "HOST" to 949.267.3131 to get started.

Walk in Wisdom With Us This Winter!



Launching Jan 2 & 3

It's time for a fresh start. Kick off the new year with Mariners Church for our series *Word to the Wise*, and walk in wisdom with us this winter!

Jan 10 & 11

Next Step is a one-hour experience that will help you explore your next step, and go deeper at Mariners Church.

Visit marinerschurch.org and search **Next Step** for more information.



The Big Picture Show Watch Party | Jan 13

The Big Picture Show returns for a brand-new season on Jan 5 with hilarious characters, Bible study, and exciting worship. Beginning Jan 13, bring the whole family and join us every Wednesday night at 5:30p in the Upper Lot at Mariners Irvine for enhanced Big Picture Show Watch Parties!

Youth Life Groups | Jan 13

Junior high and high school students meet weekly in Youth Life Groups to grow together as friends and grow closer to Jesus under the care of our amazing volunteer leaders.

For Irvine Visit marinersyouth.com
For HB Visit marinershb.org/youth





Winter Session Begins Jan 19

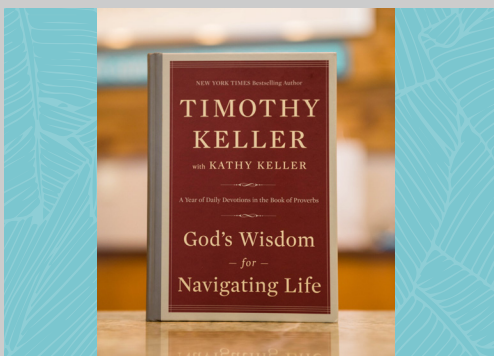
Rooted is a 10-week small group experience designed to connect you to God, the church, and your purpose.

Visit marinerschurch.org and search **Rooted** to register for our next Rooted session.

Begins Feb 25

Dive into a weekly study of God's Word, explore the deeper issues of faith, and find biblical answers to some of life's most important questions.

Deep Dive



Annual Read

Start this year with a commitment to focus your heart and mind on God each day. Follow along every day with devotions from Proverbs and with our daily 3-5 minute podcast.

For more information visit marinerschurch.org

